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SUBJECT: BOUGAINVILLE TALKS

- 1. FONSEC SIAGURU TOLD ME TODAY THAT HE FEELS VERY ENCOURAGED ABOUT BOUGAINVILLE TALKS. HE SAID THAT, SUBJECT TO DISCUSSIONS TO OPEN FEBRUARY 25 IN RABAUL BETWEEN SECESSIONISTS AND CENTRAL GOVT., BOUGAINVILLE SECESSIONISTS HAD AGREED TO DROP THEIR DEMANDS FOR SECESSION AT THIS TIME AND FOCUS ON DETAILS OF DECENTRALIZATION.
- 2. SOMARE WILL LEAD CENTRAL GOVT TEAM AT RABAUL MEETING, AND SIAGURU THINKS HE IS IN A VERY CONCILIATORY MOOD, ALTHOUGH OTHERS WITHIN GPNG ARE RELUCTANT TO MAKE CONCESSIONS.
- 3. COMMENT: THIS IS A REAL BREAKTHROUGH. SIAGURU IS A MEMBER OF THE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE, WHICH HAS DEALT WITH BOUGAINVILLE MATTER FOR MONTHS, AND HE SHOULD BE WELL INFORMED. OLMSTED

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